

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL


COUNCILLORS CHARLES C. YANCEY AND CHUCK TURNER

NEW MISSION HIGH SCHOOL'S DAY OF SILENCE

- WHEREAS: The 15th of April, 2010 marks the 14th Annual National Day of Silence, in which attention is brought to anti-lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered name-calling, bullying and harassment in schools; and
- WHEREAS: The Day of Silence, which was founded in 1996 at the University of Virginia, has become the largest single student-led action towards creating safer schools for all, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression; and
- WHEREAS: Hundreds of thousands of students and more than 8,000 middle schools, high schools, colleges and universities across the country participated in the National Day of Silence in 2008; and
- WHEREAS: The Gay, Lesbian, and Straight Education Network (GLSEN), a leading national education organization that focuses on creating safe schools for all lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered students, became the official organizational sponsor of the National Day of Silence in 2001; and
- WHEREAS: Over 1,500 hate crime offenses, based on sexual-orientation bias, were reported by law enforcement agencies in 2007, according to the FBI; and
- WHEREAS: All people must come together to oppose discrimination against LGBT human beings; Therefore Be It
- RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, congratulates every student of the New Mission High School for participating in the 14th National Day of Silence and for expressing concern for the civil rights and human rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered human beings.

By: 
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: 
Date: April 28, 2010